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In re Application of :
Peterson et al. :
Application No. 09/708,713 : DECISION ACCORDING STATUS
Filed: 9 November, 2000 : UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(b)
Atty Dkt No. 47382.000111 :

This is in response to the renewed petition filed under 37 CFR 1.47(b) on 13 May, 2002.

The petition is GRANTED.

Petitioners have shown that the nonsigning inventors, Jay Peterson, David R. Nelson, Troy P. Bahan, George C. Polchin, and Michael D. Jack, have refused to join in the filing of the above-identified application, a continuation of reissue application No. 09/521,858, after having been sent a copy of the application papers on two separate occasions. None of the joint inventors have returned an executed declaration, however. In addition, petitioners have shown, via the assignment of the invention by the inventors to HE Holdings, Inc. DBA Hughes Electronics, which assigned its interest to Hughes Aircraft Company, which assigned its interest to Envirotech Systems Corp. that petitioner Envirotech Systems Corp. has a proprietary interest in the above-identified application. Lastly, petitioner has submitted a declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, 1.64, and 1.175, signed by registered patent attorney Christopher Cuneo on behalf of petitioner Envirotech Systems Corp. and has demonstrated that such action is necessary to prevent irreparable damage.

This application and papers have been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(b). This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(b) status.

It is noted that while the cover letter transmitting the application papers to joint inventor Nelson on 3 November, 2000, lists an address consistent with the petition and declaration, the cover letter transmitting the application papers to joint inventor Nelson on 12 October, 2001, appears to incorrectly list the address for joint inventor Polchin. Based on the statement of registered patent attorney Christopher Cuneo in the present petition that the application papers for Application Nos. 09/521,858 and 09/708,713 are identical, the Office is construing the earlier mailing as constituting proper notice to joint inventor Nelson in accordance with 37 CFR 1.47(b). Petitioners **must** notify the Office if this is an incorrect interpretation.

As provided in Rule 1.47(c), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing inventors at the addresses listed in the petition. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

The correspondence address has been changed in accordance with the declaration filed on 13 November, 2001.

The application file is being forwarded to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for further processing.

Telephone inquiries regarding this communication should be directed to the undersigned at 703.308.6918.



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Dear Mr. Jack:

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